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AAPA statement on Chapel Hill shooting

The Asian American Psychological Association mourns the deaths of Shaddy Barakat, Yusor Mohammad, and Razan Mohammad Abu-Salha who were senselessly and tragically murdered in Chapel Hill, NC on February 10, 2015. The three victims were American-born Muslim students of Syrian heritage who were actively involved in their local communities as well as in efforts to ameliorate the lives of Syrian refugees overseas. Although the criminal investigations are still ongoing at this writing, we strongly urge the local and federal authorities to conduct a thorough investigation of this case as a possible hate crime. We stand together with our Muslim brothers and sisters to demand justice, and we send our heartfelt condolences to the families and friends of the victims and to the Chapel Hill community.

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